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Applicant Klaus Vogelsang  
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ELECTION

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated December 28, 2006.

Applicant hereby elects the Group A claims, namely, Claims 1-6 and 12-20.

Furthermore, the species of Figure 1 is elected for prosecution. Claims 1, 2, 6 and 17 read on this species.

This election is made without prejudice to Applicant's right to file one or more divisional applications for the non-elected claims. Furthermore, it is understood that if a generic claim, such as Claim 1, is ultimately allowed, then claims directed to all of the species will be brought back into the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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